

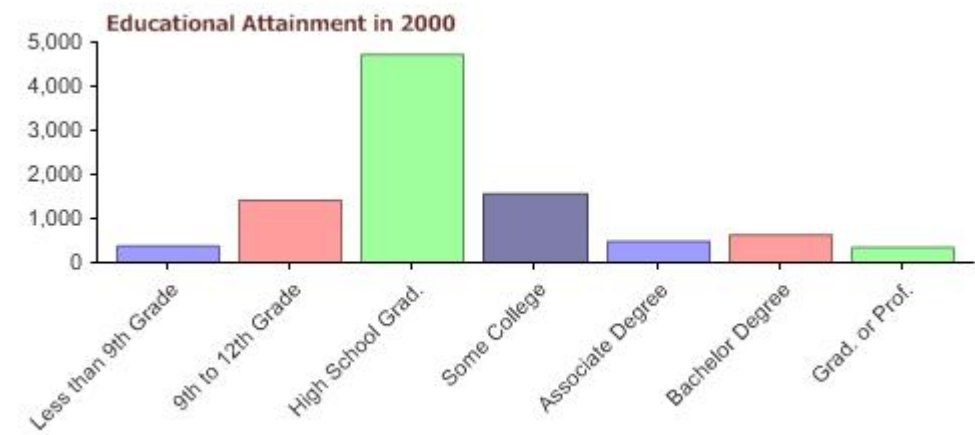
Blackford County, IN Highlights

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Overview	Population	Education	Commuting	Labor Force	Industry	Income	Firm Size

Education

The level of education of our workforce is a critical factor for economic and community development. It often provides insight into the skill levels of a local area. The metrics provided here focus on the attainment of degrees and high school graduates' higher education intent. The type of work (occupations) residents perform can also assist in understanding skill levels.

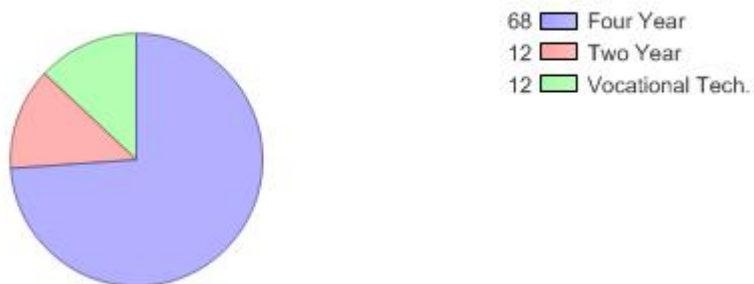
Educational Attainment				
	1970	1980	1990	2000
Total Population 25 and Older	N/A	N/A	9,259	9,550
Less than 9th Grade	N/A	N/A	835	376
9th to 12th, No Diploma	N/A	N/A	1,666	1,413
High School Graduate (incl. equiv.)	N/A	N/A	4,454	4,727
Some College, No Degree	N/A	N/A	1,102	1,567
Associate Degree	N/A	N/A	374	487
Bachelors Degree	N/A	N/A	418	634
Graduate or Professional Degree	N/A	N/A	410	346



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

High School Graduates Going on to Higher Education				
	2004	2005	2006	2007
Total Graduates	133	135	131	131
Total to Higher Education	83	82	96	92
Four-Year Institution	55	40	62	68
Two-Year Institution	19	3	23	12
Vocational/Tech.	9	39	11	12
Military	4	7	4	11

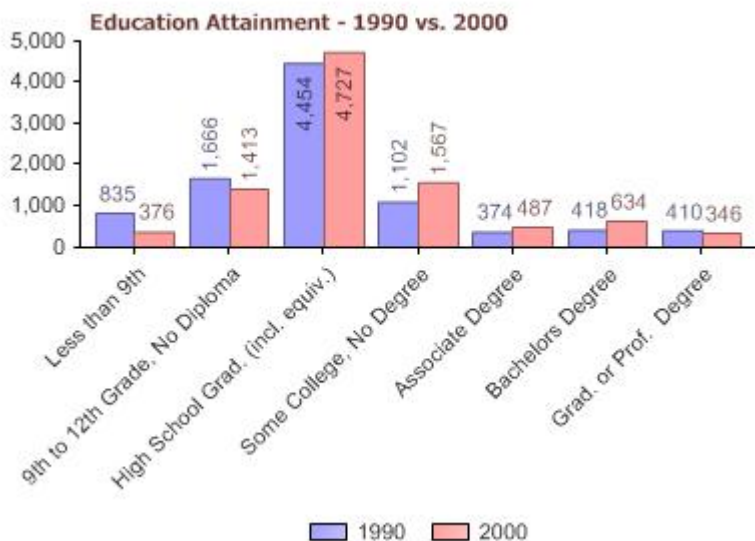
2007 Higher Education Intent



Source: Indiana Department of Education

Educational Attainment in 1990 and 2000

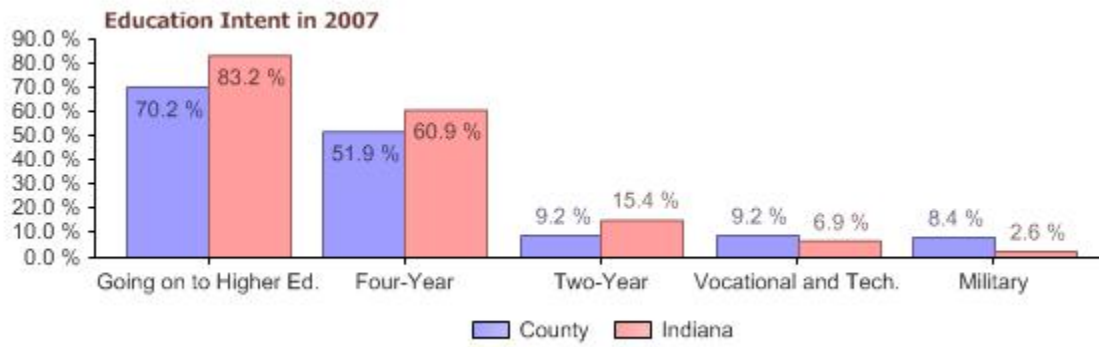
	1990	Pct. of Pop. 25+	2000	Pct. of Pop. 25+
Total Population 25+	9,259	100.0%	9,550	100.0%
Less than 9th Grade	835	9.0%	376	3.9%
9th to 12th Grade, No Diploma	1,666	18.0%	1,413	14.8%
High School Graduate (incl. equivalency)	4,454	48.1%	4,727	49.5%
Some College, No Degree	1,102	11.9%	1,567	16.4%
Associate's Degree	374	4.0%	487	5.1%
Bachelor's Degree	418	4.5%	634	6.6%
Graduate or Professional Degree	410	4.4%	346	3.6%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

High School Graduates Higher Education Intent

	2007 Pct. Dist.	Indiana Pct. Dist.
Graduates	100.0%	100.0%
Total Going on to Higher Education	70.2%	83.2%
Four-Year Institution	51.9%	60.9%
Two-Year Institution	9.2%	15.4%
Vocational and Tech.	9.2%	6.9%
Military	8.4%	2.6%



Source: Indiana Department of Education